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1. SECRETARIAT OFFICIAL G. FEISEL INFORMED MISOFF THAT SETTE CAMARA, PRESENTLY BRAZILIAN AMBASSADOR TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA, IS ONE OF THREE ACTIVE CANDIDATES FOR TH REFERENCED POST. SETTE CAMARA'S CANDIDACY WAS PROPOSED BY SYG WALDHEIM, AND PER FEISEL, WALDHEIM CONSIDERS HIM TO BE THE FRONT RUNNER. (THE OTHER TWO CANDIDATES ARE ARSENIS AND AHMED.) FEISEL DOES NOT BELIEVE THAT THE BRAZILIAN GOVERNMENT HAS GIVEN ITS UPPORT TO THE CANDIDACY OF SETTE CAMARA. IT IS BELIEVED THAT WALDHEIM MAY CONTACT SETTE CAMARA IN COURSE OF HIS CURRENT STAY IN VIENNA AND THAT THE SITUATION MAY MOVE FAIRLY QUICKLY AFTER THAT MEETING.

2. OUR EXPERIENCE WITH SETTE CAMARA BOTH AS PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE AND MORE RECENTLY AS A DELEGATE TO ASSEMBLIES GENERAL (PRIMARILY SITTING IN THE LEGAL COMMITTEE) LENDS SUPPORT TO THE FOLLOWING OBSERVATIONS:

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A. HE IS VERY PLEASANT AND APPROACHABLE MAN.

B. IS IS POLITICALLY AND LEGALLY CONSERVATIVE.

C. HE MAY NOT BE VERY FIRM UNDER STRONG LDC PRESSURE.
ON THIS OUR EVIDENCE IS THIN.

D. HE HAS SHOWN NO EVIDENCE OF THE HOSTILITY TOWARD
OR JEALOUSLY OF THE US WHICH SOMETIMES
AFFECTS BRAZILIAN DIPLOMATS.

E. WE WOULD INCLINE TO REGARD HIM AS A DILIGENT
REASONABLE INTELLIGNET MAN WITH AN ESSENTIALLY
PEDESTRIAN MIND.
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